

Instruction to Author

(Int Med Col J, Bangladesh)

International Medical College Journal Bangladesh agree to accept the principles set by International Committee of Medical Journal Editor (ICMJE). Manuscript should be prepared in accordance with the 'Recommendations for the Conduct, Reporting, Editing, and Publication of Scholarly Work in Medical Journals' published in the website of ICMJE (<https://www.icmje.org/>).

Who can be an Author ?

Follow criteria shall be considered:

Substantial contributions to the conception or design of the work; or the acquisition, analysis, or interpretation of data for the work

Agreement to be accountable for all aspects of the work in ensuring that questions related to the accuracy or integrity of any part of the work are appropriately investigated and resolved

Manuscript preparation and submission

General organization

The text of articles reporting original research is usually divided into Introduction, Methods, Results and Discussion sections. Articles often need subheadings within these sections to further organize their content. Other types of articles, such as case reports, narrative reviews and editorials may have less structured or unstructured formats.

Title Page

Title page usually includes the article title and author information. The title provides a distilled description of the complete article and should include information that, along with the abstract, will make electronic retrieval of the article sensitive and specific. A short title, usually no more than 40 characters (including letters and spaces) is recommended. Each author's academic degrees should be listed, along with name of the department(s), institution(s) or organization(s) where they are working and contact address (including phone number and email).

Abstract

Original research and systematic reviews require a structured abstract. The abstract should provide the context or background for the study, study's objective, basic method, main findings and principal conclusions. Three to five keywords shall be added at the end of the abstract under the heading 'Keyword'.

Introduction

Introduction provides a context or background for the study (that is, the nature of the problem and its significance). States the specific purpose or research objective of, or hypothesis tested by, the study or observation. Cite only directly pertinent references, and do not include data or conclusions from the work being reported.

Methods

The Method section includes the clear mention about how and why a study was done in a particular way. The Methods section should aim to be sufficiently detailed such that others with access to the data would be able to reproduce the results. There shall be clear mention about ethical aspect. Section shall clearly describe the selection of observational or experimental

participants (healthy individuals or patients, including controls), including eligibility and exclusion criteria and a description of the source population as well as mention of statistical methods with enough detail.

Results

Result shall be presented in a logical sequence in the text, tables and figures, giving the main or most important findings first. Repetition of data in the tables or figures in the text shall be avoided. It is expected that the author will follow format of the journal.

Discussion

This is useful to begin the discussion by briefly summarizing the main findings and explore possible mechanisms or explanations for these findings. Emphasis on the new and important aspects of study and mention of findings in the context of the totality of the relevant evidence is required. Statement of the limitations of study and implications of findings for future research and for clinical practice or policy explore shall be there. There shall be discussion of the influence or association of variables. Repetition of detail data or other information given in other parts of the manuscript, unqualified statements and conclusions without adequate support by the data shall be avoided.

References

Authors should provide direct references to original research sources whenever possible. It is better to avoid citing a 'personal communication' unless it provides essential information not available from a public source, in which case the name of the person and date of communication should be cited in parentheses in the text.

References should be numbered consecutively in the order in which they are first mentioned in the text. References shall be identified in text, tables, and legends by Arabic numerals in superscript. The titles of journals can be abbreviated according to the style used by the journal authority.

Format style of writing references shall be as per Samples of Formatted References for Authors of Journal Articles published at https://www.nlm.nih.gov/bsd/uniform_requirements.html. Some of those re mentioned below as examples:

Standard journal article

Halpern SD, Ubel PA, Caplan AL. Solid-organ transplantation in HIV-infected patients. *N Engl J Med*. 2002 Jul 25;347(4):284-7.

List the first six authors, followed by et al. If there are more than six authors, list the first six authors, followed by et al. (Note: NLM now lists all authors.):

Rose ME, Huerbin MB, Melick J, Marion DW, Palmer AM, Schiding JK, et al. Regulation of interstitial excitatory amino acid concentrations after cortical contusion injury. *Brain Res*. 2002;935(1-2):40-6.

Organization as author

Diabetes Prevention Program Research Group. Hypertension, insulin, and proinsulin in participants with impaired glucose tolerance. *Hypertension*. 2002;40(5):679-86.

Both personal authors and organization as author (List all as they appear in the byline)

Vallancien G, Emberton M, Harving N, van Moorselaar RJ; Alf-One Study Group. Sexual dysfunction in 1,274 European men suffering from lower urinary tract symptoms. *J Urol*. 2003;169(6):2257-61.

No author given

21st century heart solution may have a sting in the tail. *BMJ*. 2002;325(7357):184.

Article not in English

Ellingsen AE, Wilhelmsen I. Sykdomsangst blant medisin- og jusstudenter. *Tidsskr Nor Laegeforen*. 2002;122(8):785-7. Norwegian.

Volume with supplement

Geraud G, Spierings EL, Keywood C. Tolerability and safety of frovatriptan with short- and long-term use for treatment of migraine and in comparison with sumatriptan. *Headache*. 2002; 42 Suppl 2: S93-9.

Issue with supplement

Glauser TA. Integrating clinical trial data into clinical practice. *Neurology*. 2002; 58(12 Suppl 7): S6-12.

Volume with part

Abend SM, Kulish N. The psychoanalytic method from an epistemological viewpoint. *Int J Psychoanal*. 2002; 83(Pt 2): 491-5.

Issue with part

Ahrar K, Madoff DC, Gupta S, Wallace MJ, Price RE, Wright KC. Development of a large animal model for lung tumors. *J Vasc Interv Radiol*. 2002; 13(9 Pt 1): 923-8.

Issue with no volume

Banit DM, Kaufer H, Hartford JM. Intraoperative frozen section analysis in revision total joint arthroplasty. *Clin Orthop*. 2002; (401): 230-8.

No volume or issue

Outreach: bringing HIV-positive individuals into care. *HRSA Careaction*. 2002 Jun: 1-6.

Type of article indicated as needed

Tor M, Turker H. International approaches to the prescription of long-term oxygen therapy [letter]. *Eur Respir J*. 2002; 20(1): 242.

Lofwall MR, Strain EC, Brooner RK, Kindbom KA, Bigelow GE. Characteristics of older methadone maintenance (MM) patients [abstract]. *Drug Alcohol Depend*. 2002; 66 Suppl 1: S105.

Article containing retraction

Feifel D, Moutier CY, Perry W. Safety and tolerability of a rapidly escalating dose-loading regimen for risperidone. *J Clin Psychiatry*. 2002;63(2):169. Retraction of: Feifel D, Moutier CY, Perry W. *J Clin Psychiatry*. 2000; 61(12): 909-11.

Books and Other Monographs

Personal author(s)

Murray PR, Rosenthal KS, Kobayashi GS, Pfaller MA. *Medical microbiology*. 4th ed. St. Louis: Mosby; 2002.

Editor(s), compiler(s) as author

Gilstrap LC 3rd, Cunningham FG, VanDorsten JP, editors. *Operative obstetrics*. 2nd ed. New York: McGraw-Hill; 2002.

Author(s) and editor(s)

Breedlove GK, Schorfheide AM. Adolescent pregnancy. 2nd ed. Wiczorek RR, editor. White Plains (NY): March of Dimes Education Services; 2001.

Organization(s) as author

American Occupational Therapy Association, Ad Hoc Committee on Occupational Therapy Manpower. Occupational therapy manpower: a plan for progress. Rockville (MD): The Association; 1985 Apr. 84 p.

National Lawyer's Guild AIDs Network (US); National Gay Rights Advocates (US). AIDS practice manual: a legal and educational guide. 2nd ed. San Francisco: The Network; 1988.

Chapter in a book

Meltzer PS, Kallioniemi A, Trent JM. Chromosome alterations in human solid tumors. In: Vogelstein B, Kinzler KW, editors. The genetic basis of human cancer. New York: McGraw-Hill; 2002. p. 93-113.

Conference proceedings

Harnden P, Joffe JK, Jones WG, editors. Germ cell tumours V. Proceedings of the 5th Germ Cell Tumour Conference; 2001 Sep 13-15; Leeds, UK. New York: Springer; 2002.

Conference paper

Christensen S, Oppacher F. An analysis of Koza's computational effort statistic for genetic programming. In: Foster JA, Lutton E, Miller J, Ryan C, Tettamanzi AG, editors. Genetic programming. EuroGP 2002: Proceedings of the 5th European Conference on Genetic Programming; 2002 Apr 3-5; Kinsdale, Ireland. Berlin: Springer; 2002. p. 182-91.

Article Submission

Manuscript shall be typed on one side of A4 size paper in double spaced. Please leave 1-inch left side and standard margin on other sides. Submit 2 copies of hard copies along with soft copy to the address mentioned below. Electronic submission is also accepted.

Address of submission

Editor-in-chief
Int Med Col J
International Medical College
Gushulia, Shataish Bazar, Tongi
Gazipur
Email address: editor.imcj@gmail.com